WAR INQUIRY AT NIGHT. THE COMMISSION STRIFING TO COM-PLETE IIS WORK RERE.

To-Morrow It Will Go to Boston, Then to Philadelphia Seventy-first Men Submitred Amidavits Yesterday Charging Their officers with Cowardice and Neglect.

For the first time since the War Investigating Commission began last Friday to take fesalon retterday by an evening sitting in the gien Avenue Hotel. The evening seasion was necessary, the Commissioners thought, to enable some persons who could not appear in the daytime to do so at night and make whatever stitletens they had to offer on the conduct of the War Department in the war with Spain. As the commission will leave to-night for Bos on and then visit Philadelphia on its way back to Washington, it was announced that if any material witnesses were not able to testify before to-lay's session was concluded an opportanity would be offered to them when the commission resumed its labors in Washington to prepare the report to President McKin-

Daniel Mckeever of 2628 Marion avenue testified that he thought some of the contract physicians at Camp Wikoff were very careless the discharge of their duties. He mentioned as an instance that when it became necessary to furnish a certificate to the Mount Sickl Hospital in this city, to which he was going to take his son, E. Percy McKeever of Company E. Seventy-first New York, the young physician at Camp Wikoff said that he did not know exactly what the malady was, but, said be "Let's call it malaria." The Mount Sinal physicians had afterward diagnosed the cause his son's death as typhold fever.

The Rev. Dwight Galloupe, an Episcopal elergyman of 13 Market street, Jersey City, who went to Santiago as Chaplain of the Ninth Regular Infantry, testified that upon the whole his regiment must have been singularly fortupate or else other persons whose testimony he had read must have had a remarkable capacity for exaggerating certain incidents. When he was wounded by a shell and was in the hospital he, and many others, preferred to remain out in the open air instead of sleeping in the tents. He saw no such suffering as some persons had depicted. Certainly there was none such in his regiment, although that regiment was at the front constantly. "I never went into the war." concluded the Chaplain, "with any expectation that it was to be like a pleasure tour to the Holy Land."

Charles A. Goulden of the Seventy-first New

York, Jacob, J. Keller of Company K of the same regiment, Gilbert G. Brockway of Comrany B. Thomas H. Brett of Company K and Charles J. Coons of Company A went before the commission and each left with the Presicent an affidavit concerning some officers of the Seventy-first Regiment whom they acthe seventy-first neglinest whom they ac-rused of neglect or cowardice. Gen. Beaver said he doubted whether the commission was vested with any power to interfere with the internal differences of the Seventy-first or any other regiment. "If any of those officers are internal differences of the Seventy-first or any other regiment. "If any of those officers are gullty of cowardice or material neglect," said he, "they ought to be court-martialled, when all your statements would have proper weight against them. But the commission will never-theises take the affidavits as a sample of the difficulties some of the volunteers encoun-tered in the way of inexperience among their own numbers."

the distribution of the transfer of the formulation. Mrs. Mary Hatch Willard of 15 West Forty-second street, a member of the Auxiliary of the Red Cross who worked at Camp Wikoff, began to bestow so much praise on the manner in which things were managed at that camp by the army officers that Gen. Beaver reminded her that the commission was rather disposed to listen to adverse criticism. Mrs. Willard's main suggestion in the way of improvement in the future was for the Government to have diet kitchens in camps for the convalescents, for whom there is now no Governmental distinction. The well soldiers had plenty, and so had the invalid patients, but those in the intermediate state, she said, did not always get the kind of food that would have contributed to their speedy recovery.

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laye contributed to their speedy recovery. Joseph F. Gleason of Coney Island, a former cook of Company G. Sixty-ninth New York, and M. J. Hussey of 57 Columbia attreet, Brocking M. J. Hussey of 57 Columbia attreet, Brocking, private in Company A, same regiment, and that bacon and flour which the regiment did not need was sold and that the officers got the best cuts of the fresh mests, but say had left the camp at Huntsville, Ala, when the Sixty-ninth is still encamped, and had not heard that out of the money obtained from the sale of stores which the men did not need delicacies had been unrohased and that there was still in each company fund a snug sum for the men as a result of the regular exchange of unused food.

Br. Monae Lesser, who went to Cuba as the chief surgeon for the Red Cross under the direction of Miss Clara Barton and in co-operation with the regular army Medical Department, testified that the relations of the army physicians and his corps of trained nurses were most harmonious and that whenever the service of the Red Cross was declined it was secause the regular army physicians were able to handle the sick and wounded properly. No coc, he said, could have foreseen that 175 cases of Cuban malaria would develop on the transport Concho after it left Cuba.

Dr. Cyrus Edson, formerly of the Board of Health, testified that he made two trips to Camp Wikoff for the purpose of examining the water supply. On Aug. 12 and Aug. 20 he was there and saw the manner in which the wells were dug. He thought that Camp Wikoff was an excellent site and that ordinarily the spring water in the neighborhood was good, but the sub-sirata of earth which lay between the hospitals and the wells from which the drinking water was procured was not, to his way of thinking, sufficiently impervious to keep the wells free from contamination. It was his coinion on Aug. 30 that before the soldiers were away from there some trouble would be caused by the contamination of the water.

Did you ever go back to the camp after Aug. 30 to se

were, he said, being cared for by the Government Institutions.

Major John W. Summerhayes of the Quartermaster's Department, who had charge of the fitting out of the army transports; Charles N. Swilt, purveyor of the transports, who acted under Major Summerhayes, and Henry P. kirkam, a shipwright, who was a member of the Transports Survey Board, and who fitted oit the transports under Major Summerhayes, were examined at the night session. The inquiry will be resumed this morning.

TROOP C OUT OF U. S. SERVICE, The Organization Will Go Back at Once Into the National Guard.

The members of Troop C. New York Volunteers, were mustered out of the United States service yesterday at the armory in North Portand arenue, Brooklyn. The men assembled at 10 o'clock, and an hour later, on the arrival of Major Goodman of the Paymasters' Department, each received upward of \$100, represent ng two months' pay and allowances. On Thursday evening. Dec. 1, medals of Porto Rican weeling. Hee 1, medals of Porto Rican branze will be presented to the men by the Weman's Auxiliary Corps of the organization. Thosp (will at once resume its place in the sational Guard and all of its old members who were temporarily assigned to Troop CC will be transferred back to it. The troop has now eathy-seven horses belonging to the Government, but the niembers will buy the horses her role in the Porto Rico campaign and keep hem. The horses have been appraised at lines ranging from \$15 to \$50 each.

THO WALLS TO JOIN THE EIGHTH? A Recruiting Office for the Eighth Regular

Intantity Opened in Brooklyn. A retruiting office for the Eighth United Regiment has been established eet. Brooklyn. Recruits must be good character and habits, ableen the ages of 18 and 35 years, hit less than 5 feet 4 medies in height and must than 190 pounds. They must be the to see as English, and must be citizens of the United States or persons who have legally declared their intention to become citizens. folial surviving parent or legal! ritio. Boys between the ages of the may only as musicians when

that may be desired on the sub-dished gladly at the office, which second Light R. C. Langdon, re-

CUBANS HOPE TO SEE M'RINLEY. ENGINEERS FURLOUGHED. Will See the Secretary of State, Anyhow-Want to Know Our Plans.

Gen. Calixto Garcia, the head of the Cuban Commissioners who recently arrived here on their way to Washington, had another conference yesterday with Tomas Estrada Palma, President of the Cuban Junta in New York. The Commissioners will start for Washington next Monday night. It is understood that the prospects of a meeting between President McKinley and the Commissioners are not very good, and it is partly for this reason that their departure for Washington has been delayed. Gen. Palma said yesterday that they had not given up hopes of seeing the President. Senor Quesada, the Secretary of the

had not given up hopes of seeing the President. Senor Quesada, the Secretary of the Cuhan Legation in Washington, has arranged for Gen. Garcia and his collesgues to meet the Secretary of State on Tuesday.

The Commissioners and myself," Senor Palma said vesterday, "are very anxious to get American capital into the island and to dissipate if possible the fears of a good many people in this country about the results of independence. Gen. Garcia and myself in our talk the afternoon went over all the problems that have arisen, and both of us want it understood that we heartly rayor the American occupation of the island, as we believe that while that continues and as a requit of our efforts confidence in the Cuban people and their proposed government will be restored. We cannot say how long this occupation of the Island by American troops should last, and the principal object of the commission's journey to Washington is to ascertain the plans of the Government in regard to this and other matters. It will be a great disappointment if the Commissioners are unable to secure an audience with the President, for the audience would give greater importance to their visit in the eyes of the people they represent. One of the most important things which we discussed to-day and on which Gen. García wishes to confer with the President is the disbanding of the Cuban Army. We want this to proceed rapidly. I do not understand that the visit of the commission is so much to secure recognition for the present Cuban Government as to get an expression at Washington of the blans of this Government of Cuba. Is quoted as saying at Havana that the people desire independence for the present, but that annexation will undoubtedly follow, perhaps even in two years. Senor Palma in regard to this said: "The view taken by Dr. Capote may be that taken by a good many Cubans. The people and their one idea at present is to secure that. There is no annexation party, for even Dr. Capote himself, I believe, is in favor of independence now. Once that is s

CAPT. GIBSON AND THE 718T. Is Not a Candidate for the Coloneley if

There Is Any Opposition. Capt. Francis M. Gibson, U. S. A., retired. now Deputy Superintendent of Street Cleaning, who has been suggested as a candidate for Colonel of the Seventy-first New York Volunteers, has written the following letter:

Casts. W. L. Geldiborough and W. F. Meeks, Lient. Fisher and others, Strenty-first:
GENTLEMEN: As there seems to be such an evenly divided sentiment among the officers of your regiment on the question of going outside of the guard for a Colonel and also a growing impression abroad, both in National Guard circles and in the minds of the public generally, that I am a candidate for the Coloneley of the Seventy-first, I write to ask those of you who have so complimented me as to express a desire that I accept the head of your regiment, should I be the choice of a large majority of its officers, to kindly let it be known that I have never been a candidate for the position and that I positively declined to enter into a contest for election. I still believe, as I have already expressed to you, that, all things being equal, your choice for a Colonel should be confined to the selection of some officer now in the guard. If the public press correctly records the sentiment of the higher officers of the National Guard of the State on this subject as well as at least one-half of the officers of the Seventy-first, they are of that same mind, and in my judgment much disappoint ment and discord would result by the adoption of any other course.

As officers of the National Guard you can Cants. W. L. Geldsborough and W. F. Meeks, Lieut. Pither and others, Seventy first:

mind, and in my judgment much disappointment and discord would result by the adoption of any other course.

As officers of the National Guard you can readily appreciate the fact that I do not wish to become one of a family of officers as their colonel and disrupt what harmony and good feeling may exist, and thereby incur the enmity and ill-will of ever so few. You as soldiers well know how necessary it is to the Coloxel and disrupt what harmony and good feeling may exist, and thereby incur the enmity and ill-will of ever so few. You as soldiers well know how necessary it is to the well-being, efficiency and success of a military organization to have absolute harmony among the officers and perfect discipline in the ranks. In no other way can a regiment be useful and an honor to its State. Therefore, all things considered. I think the interests of all concerned would be best served by the withdrawal of my name from any further connection wish the subject of the Colonelcy of the Seventy-first Regiment. You have my very best wishes for an early and happy choice. I must reserve the privilege of making this an open letter. I am, gentlemen, with great respect and a duc appreciation of your kindly feelings and sentiment toward me, very truly yours.

F. M. Gisson, 25 West Thirty-fourth street.

GEN. RABI AND HIS ARMY.

U. S. Artillery Officer Doubts That Rabi Is Acting Violently.

A Havana despatch to THE SUN, printed on Thursday, stated that a commission from Gen. Jesus Rabi, the Cuban commander in Manzanillo, was in Havana, and that the commissioner told Gen. Blanco that Gen. Rabi would not disband his army until his men had been paid by the United States. The following letter has been received by THE SUN from an artillery officer who was on Gen. Miles's staff during the war:

staff during the war:

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: In this morning's Sun mention is made of Gen. Jesus Rabi, Cuban Army. I mettien. Rabi and saw his army. He seemed as gentle and kindly as a woman. He is very unassuming and retiring, but those who know him say he is lion-hearted. His poor, naked, starving army idelize him. He is very dark—almost black; it is said he is one of the few in Cuba with aboriginal blood in his velus. It is not in keeping with his character to send a commissioner to Havana with a demand and a threat. It seemed to me while in Cuba that Spaniards were using every effort to discredit the Cubans in the eyes of Americans and to fill their minds with suspicion and distrust of us by lying to each about the other.

Army and Navy Club, New York, Nov. 24.

BACK FROM THE TERESA.

Lieut. Hobson Says She Cannot Be Saved-Wants to Go at the Colon Again. NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 25.-The United States repair ship Vulcan, Capt. B. H. McCalla, and the Government wrecking tug Potomac arrived at the Norfolk Navy Yard at noon to-day. at the Norlolk Navy Yard at noon to-day. Lieut. Richmond P. Hobson was aboard the Vulcan. He spoke freely to reporters regard-ing the present condition of the cruiser Infanta Maria Teresa, now ashore on Cat Island. Ba-hama group. He said that the ship is irre-trievably lost, and that although structurally sound when the Vulcan left, so far as the upper part of her hull was concerned, there was a hole in her side large enough to row a boat through.

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Mr. Hobson said that the loss of the Teresa had only strengthened his desire to raise the Cristobal Colon.

The Vulcan brought up two 6-pounders taken from one of the Spanish ships, and the Merritt, which is hourly expected, it is understood has many trophies aboard.

Promotions in the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The following promotions in the navy have been announced: Capt. Henry F. Picking, to be Commodore; Comnander Charles F. Train, to be Captain: Lieutenant Commander Daniel Delelianty, to be Commander Commander Daniel Deleisatty, to be Commander: Lieuts, George L. Dyer, Dennis H. Mahan, William F. Low, Nelson T. Houston, Clayton S. Richman, Hamuel P. Comly, Hawley O. Rittenhouse, Robert G. Peck, John Hubbard and Alexander McCracken, to be Lieutenant-Commanders; Lieuts, (junior grade). Chester M. Khepper, Clarence S. Williams, Albert M. Beecher, Frank K. Hill and Roger Welles, Jr., to be Lieutenants; Ensigns Henry A. Wiley, James H. Reid, Frederick B. Bassett, Herbert G. Gates and Richard H. Jackson, to be Lieutenants (junior grade); As-sistant Paymaster John Irwin, to be Passed Assistant Paymaster; Acting Gunter Thomas J. Shutteworth, to be a guiner.

Soldier Deaths in Porto Rico and Santiago WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-Gen. Brooke sent to the War Department to-day this report of

the War Department to-day this report of deaths in Porto Rico: Nov. 23, Neal Rairdon, Co. E. Eleventh Infantry. tuberculosis; Nov. 25, Private Charles D. Palmer, Co. K. Sixteenth Pennsylvania Infantry; Civil Engineer John B. Amos, gastro-enteritis. Gen. Wood reports these deaths at Santiago: Nov. 23, Privates David F. Ruhl, Co. C. Flith Infanty, heart failure and malarial lever; Nov. 24, James J. Cox. Co. D. Fourth Volunteers, sente congestion of the brain.

Gen. Butler Ordered to Washington. WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- Major-Gen. Butler, at present serving as a member of the Havana Evacuation Commission, has been ordered to Washington for consultation with the Presi-dent and the War Department.

COLD WEATHER DROFE THEM OFF THEIR SHIP IN A HURRY. Parade Given Up, but They Marched from

the Foot of East Ninety-first Street to the Armory, Where They Had a Reception and a Luncheon and Got Their Pay. The First Volunteer Engineers, who arrived on the transport Minnewaska on Thursday were paid off and furloughed at the Eighth Regimens Armory yesterday afternoon after a reception given to them by Lafavette Post. G. A. R., and the Engineers' Club and a cold collation served by the National Society of New England Women. The parade up Fifth avenue which had been talked of for several days, was given up. The weather was the most important factor in determining to have the reception yesterday instead of to-day, as had been decided upon. The men felt cold enough all Thursday afternoon and there was considerable real suffering among them, but it was nothing to what they endured Thursday night. Pier 22. Brooklyn, where the transport tied up, is a long, covered structure that juts well out into the bay and seems to gather to itself all the winds that blow. The Minnewaska is a big ship and her open hatches are as high up as the roof of the pier. Neither pler nor ship is very thoroughly heated and when it came to swinging hammocks and turning in on Thursday night there was a sudden realization that such a thing was entirely

Most of the men, therefore, spent Thursday walking up and down the ship or pier, fully dressed and wrapped in blankets. The bottles of liquor that had been left on board by a few thoughtful friends were in great demand. It was perfectly apparent early yesterday morning that not another night could be spent or board ship, and it was decided to ferry the

and march from there to the armory.

In the meantime the regimental stores and equipment and the men's and officers' souvenirs-no inconsiderable item in the ship's cargo-were unloaded. Chests, boxes, bags, bundles, barrels, bales, crates, cases and loose articles of every description, all marked with regimental, company or department insigferred to waiting trucks with neatness and despatch. In between a pile of tent covers and the private luggage of a Major were three or four horses belonging to officers, and a little gray burro with his cars thrust through holes in the brim of an old campaign hat and his body incased in a blanket marked "First Regiment, Company G." This was "Jack," a famous trophy of Capt. Rodman's company, reappropriated after having been abandoned by a homeward-bound Wisconsin regiment three months ago, held at the roint of many guns and much argument with several Porto Rican mountaineers and brought home by the special permission of the Captain. Although his keepers say that Jack is very tractable, it was deemed wise not to attempt to parade him, and he was left, temperorally, on the

pier.

The men embarked on the steamer Glen Isl. The men emorarsed on the steamer Gien Island about 2 o'clock, and the steamer left for Ninety-first street with the Engineers Band playing on the fire action on the fire action on the fire action on the fire action of the steamer left for which, from on board, sounded almost continuous during the trip up the river. The landing was made about 3:30 o'clock and the men formed in column of fours and marched through Ninety-first street to Park avenue, and thence to the armory at Ninety-fourth street. Enthusiastic little crowds gathered along this line of march and cheered lustily. The men presented a fine appearance. They were overcosts, with the red-lined carea thrown back across their shoulders, carried thrown back across their shoulders, and their should

The men of the regiment who came home sick, including Lieuts. Walker and Perrine, were all taken to Brooklyn hospitals yesterday. A small detail of men was left at the pier to do guard duty until the Department Quartermaster takes charge of the equipment there.

YELLOW FEVER AT SAN JUAN.

Four New Cases Developed on the Trans port Mississippi from Santiage.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. San Juan, Porto Riso, Nov. 25.—Four new cases of yellow fever have developed on the ransport Mississippi, which arrived here on Tuesday from Santiago with a case of the disease aboard. The Mississippi brought from Santiage a number of recruits for regiments in Porto Rico who had been taken to the Cuban port from the United States by the steamers

Santiago and Port Victor. A most rigid quarantine of the Mississippi is enforced, and other stringent measures have been taken to prevent the fever from reaching the island, which is free at present from all contagious discuses.

Naval Court-Martial.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The Secretary of the Navy has appointed the court-martial ordered Navy has appointed the court-martial ordered in the case of Naval Constructor John F. Hanssom of the League Island Navy Yard. The court will meet at the League Island yard on Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 1 P. M. and will consist of these officers: Commodore H. L. Howison, Capt. John J. Ecad. Capt. James H. Sands, Capt. John J. Ecad. Capt. James H. Sands, Capt. John J. Rehard P. Leary. Capt. Theodore F. Jewell, Commander Charles J. Train, Capt. George E. Ide, Naval Constructor William H. Varny, Naval Constructor William L. Mintenye, and Lieut. John J. Knapp, Judge Advocate.

Crawled Down Fire Escape and Rescued

Baby Locked in a Burning Room. Sarah Goldstein, a bright girl of 17 years saved the life of a baby in the tenement at 5 Attorney street yesterday, and perhaps saved the house from burning up. The baby belonged to Mrs. Moses, who had gone across the hall to talk with a neighbor. The child had crawled back in their flat and the door had blown to. In there it found some matches and set them off. Mrs. Moses heard its cries and

ran to the door, only to find it shut. The latch had caught. She smelled the smoke and saw had caught. She smelled the smoke and saw the flames. Instead of trying to break in the door she cried and tore her hair.

Sarah Goldstein heard it upstairs and understood. She slipped quietly out of the window and down the fire escape, opened the window of the Moses flat, tore down the blazing tablecloth and trampled out the fire and wrapped the part that was not burning around the baby, whose clothes were on fire. That done, she opened the door and, with the baby in her arms, run past the frantic mother to the Beth Israel Hospital on East Broadway, where her own and the baby's burns were dressed.

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The firemen, coming in response to a signal, found the fire out. The girl had attended to that. Foreman Hugh McGrath was thrown from the truck on the way to the house, and was so bady hurt that he was taken to the hospital.

Eva Michaelson, 13 years old, was badly burned at 239 Henry street resterday. Her mother keeps a coal cellar at that place. The child's ciothes caught fire from the stone, Henry, her older brother, burned his hands badly in trying to put the fire out, and the mother, Sarah, who ran to the rescue of both, was painfully scorched also. The two children were taken to Gouverneur Hospital.

A VAN ARSDALE HOISTED IT.

No Break This Evacuation Day in the Time

Honored Ceremony of Raising the Flag. The mutual admiration society into which the people of the United States and of Great Britain appear to have formed themselves recently did not prevent citizens of New York from celebrating yesterday in their customary manner the 115th anniversary of the evacuation of this city by the troops of George Stripes were run up at the Battery flagpole, with the aid, too, of a scion of the Van Arsdale family, despite the refusal of President Clausen of the Park Board to grant any of them a permit. The Old Guard, more resplendent than ever, marched in the afternoon with a step still springy and again swung out the flag from the same pole, while a national salute of twenty-one guns thundered across the bay. At night there was dining and speechmaking to the glory of both those who left these shores in 1783 and those who remained to make a new nation bigger and better than the old one. Charles B. Riker, whose mother was a daughter of the original flag raiser, claims the honor of saving the family prestige yesterday. He took his place by the side of the Park Department employee, who was assigned to the duty of hoisting the flag, and when the time came Mr. Riker seized the halliards, and before he could be prevented he had drawn the Stars and Stripes to the top of the staff. flag from the same pole, while a national salute

PROTEST AGAINST EXPANSION. The Anti-Imperialist League Presents I

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- Ewing Winslow, Sec. retary of the Anti-Imperialist League, presented to President McKinley to-day a protest "against any extension of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippine Islands in any event, and over any foreign territory without the free consent of the people thereof, believing such action would be dangerous to the republic, wasteful of its resources, in violation of constitutional principles, and fraught with moral and physical evils to our people, Mr. McKinley told Mr. Winslow he would re-

ceive any plan the league had to submit for the disposition of the islands except one providing for the surrender of them to Spain. The Anti-Imperialist League is an offspring of Boston and has ex-Gov. Boutwell as President. It has and has ex-toy. Boutwell as Fresident. It has passed many resolutions denouncing "imperialism" and considers itself the head and front of the anti-imperialist movement.

Many letters and protests are being received at the White House from anti-expansionists, the writers and signers protesting against the acquisition of the Philippines. None of them, however, has any plan for the disposition of the islands, as apparently they do not care what becomes of the territory as long as it is not added to the United States.

The Washington City Post Office Moving t

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The removal of the Washington city Post Office to the new Post Office building on Pennsylvania avenue was begun yesterday, and the transfer will be completed by Sunday. The cashier's office, the registry division and various supplies, including 15,000,000 postal cards, have already been installed in the new quarters. The mysterious disappearance of a registered letter, which had bean lost since March 4, 1897, was cleared up when the papers of the registry division were moved. The missing letter, which contained a dollar bill, was found among the flee, and the record of the division was cleared. Between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000 worth of Government bonds and moneys are handled annually by the registry division.

President Iglesias Will Prolong His Visit to

Washington. Washington, Nov. 25.-Don Rafael Iglesias President of Costa Rica, has decided to prolong his visit to Washington, and does not contem plate returning to New York until some timnext week. He is much interested in the work performed by the various executive depart-ments here, and will make a thorough examin-ation of their organization and operations. He visited the Congressional Library yesterday afternoon and spent several hours to-day in-specting the Treasury Department.

Liquidation of the Tradesmen's Bank. WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-The Comptroller of the Currency has appointed D. H. Bates, W. H. Wolverton and Julius Kauffman, directors of the Tradesmen's National Bank of New York a committee to superintend the liquidation of that bank. The receiver, Bank Examiner Kim-ball, will be relieved and the bank will open by Dec. 1 to pay depositors on demand.

Foreign Mail Service.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The Superintendent of Foreign Mails, N. M. Brooks, in his annual report on the operations of the foreign mail service during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, says the weight of mail despatched to foreign countries was 7.121.618 pounds; that for transatiantic destination comprising 5.025.084 pounds. Of the latter Great Britain took 2.222.279 pounds, Germany 1,005.693 pounds, and France 402.259 pounds. The cost of the service was \$1.625.686.

Tripped on the Stairs and Broke His Neck Dominiek Ottinger, 39 years old, a piano maker, living at 700 Ninth avenue, Long Island City, fell down stairs in his house Thursday oright. He was removed to St. John's Hospital, where it was discovered that his neek was broken and his skull fractured. The hospital physicians say that the injured man cannot live long. Ottinger tripped at the head of the stairs in the darkness.

Plans for the New Monitors Agreed To. WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-At a meeting of the Naval Board on Construction to-day the details of the general plans for the construction of the monitors Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida and Wroming were arranged. All the firms that secured contracts for building these yearels or the original plans have consented to the modiheations which the board arranged to-day Each firm will undertake the construction of a Each firm will undertake the construction of a monitor at an advance of about \$100,000 on its original bid. The modified plans provide for single-turret monitors, but they will be twenty-seven feet longer than originally contemplated to give more coal space and more comfortable living quarters. With all engines going and the full development of horse power obtained, the monitors will be able to travel 1.04d knots at the rate of 11% knots an hour without reconling. The increase in the length of the vessels will increase the displacement of each from 2.700 to 3,235 tons.

Torpedo Boat Davis Exceeds Contract Speed Washington, Nov. 25.-This telegram, reporting the result of the second trial of the tor pedo boat Davis, built by Wolff & Zwicker o pedo boat Davis, built by Wolff & Zwieker of Portland, Ore, was received at the Navy De-partment from Lieutenant-Commander Drake, President of the Trial Board, to-day: "Davis first torpedo boat on Pacific coast to make one knot more than contract speed, Revolutions 382 average. No undue friction of engines or excessive vibrations of hull. Two hours consecutive run, no turn." The Davis required to make 22% knots.

JACK TAR FOUND ADRIFT.

HALF DEAD FROM COLD WHEN PICKED UP IN THE BAY.

Says He Escaped from a Merchantman or Which He Had Shipped While Drunk-His Story Suggests That the Man-o'-War's Man May Have Been Shaughaled.

John Witson, a stalwart young bluejacket of Uncle Sam's navy, attached to the despatch boat Dolphin, now at Washington, came to town about a week ago and began stowing away cargo of spirits. He met several deep-sea merbant tars who said they were going to ship for China on the Yankee clipper Tam o' Shanter Witson said he was in for adventure affoat, and declared that he would give up his job, which had become mighty uninteresting since Spain decided to stop getting licked, and would take a birth on the merchantman. That is what the folks in Murphy's sailors' boarding house, at 181 Cherry street, say about the blue acket, who stopped there nearly a week. The blue

jacket tells another varn.
According to Murphy, John Witson, A. B., appeared only once at the boarding house in the uniform of a naval tar. He said he was tired the payy. After the first day Murphy fitted Witson out with a plain suit, a lot of underclothing and a pair of new shoes. Murphy says he'll never get back the value of these, and the shipping master, John Williams, who put Witson aboard the Tam o'Shanter, and who was to have received two months of Witson's prospective pay, called advance money, is also out

Witson is on the receiving ship Vermont, at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, recovering from a rough experience in an open boat in the bay where he was found at daylight yesterday by rough experience in an open boat in the bay, where he was found at daylight yesterday by Dave Roach, pilot of the tugboat Edward M. Timmins. The boat was without oars, and the sailor, sitting on a thwart, appeared to be indifferent about the boat's course. Capt. Dave, who is not a philanthropist, saw that the boat was a first-class, clinker-built craft worth more than a hundred dollars. He resolved to save the boat. In doing so he observed that there was a man in it, and that he appeared to be dead. Capt. Dave's men lifted the man out, put him aboard the tug and thawed him out in the engine room. Incidentally the bluejacket consumed several glasses of hot whiskey. Then he told his yarn.

He said he lost his bearings about six days ago, and when he got them again at 2 o clock yesterday morning he found himself in the forecastle of the Tam o' Shanter, at anchor in the bay. He found out the day of the month from a shipmate and reflected that he had two more days left of his shore liberty. He says he believes he was shanghaied while he was drunk and declares he doesn't remember having signed articles at the office of the United States Shipping Commissioner.

He told three of his shipmates that he intended to desert the ship. They lowered a boat and Witson and two of the sailors got in. As the fourth man jumped down on the gunwale the boat capsized. The three merchant tars got back aboard ship. The bluejacket drifted away on the tide, clinging to the bottom of the upturned boat. Another boat from the ship searched vainly for him. He is a fine swimmer and as hardy as any man in the service. He soon had the boat righted and bailedout. Then he found that he had no cars, and that he would have to trust to the tide alone to take him to haven. He went to sleep sitting in the boat, and when he woke up he found himself in the engine room of the Timmins drinking rum. Dave. Roach landed him at the Battery and turned him over to Policeman McEwen, who took him to the receiving ship Vermont.

Shipping Master Williams says Witson Dave Roach, pilot of the tugboat Edward M

ship's company.

Capt. Dave Roach wanted \$40 for saving the small boat. He finally compromised on \$20.

MRS. PECK FAINTED IN COURT.

She and Her Husband Discharged After Re storing MacCormack's \$1,400 Ring. Lillian L. Peck and Charles F. A. Peck of 223 East Twelfth street, who were arrested on Wednesday night charged with stealing a \$1,400 ruby ring from James MacCormack Maiden lane, were discharged by Magistrate Cornell in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday afternoon. MacCormack had given

the ring to Mrs. Peek to sell for him.
"I have been told," the Court said to Mr. Peck, "that full restitution has been made You are hereby discharged. I am fully con-vinced that you have been entirely innocent in was carried into another room, where she soon

recovered.
"They just showed me a paper," she said.
"and then they said that I am insane. It is too cruel. I am not insane."
Detective McCarthy of the Fifth street police station, who arrested the Pecks, said that Mr. Harper, the Maiden lane jeweller to whom the ring lad been sold, restored it to MacCormack as soon as he became acquainted with the circumstances of the case. The \$300 which he gave to Mrs. Peck for the ring was restored to Harper by her husband.

MORE CHARGES AGAINST DEEHER.

The Brooklyn Real Estate Dealer May Be Involved to the Extent of \$40,000. Two additional accusations have been made against Christian W. C. Dreher, the Brooklyn real estate dealer, who made a theatrical at tempt at suicide in a hotel in Philadelphia tempt at suicide in a hotel in Philadelphia a few days ago. The new complaints are made by George Lacken of Farmingdale. L. L. and Mrs. Barbara Belzer, a widow, of 366 Jerome street, Brooklyn, who charge him with embezziements of \$2,005 and \$2,100. Each avers that the money was turned over to Dreher for investment in bonds and mortgages and that he pocketed it. Persons who are familiar with Dreher's business affairs say that he will have to face at least a dozen charges, and that the amounts involved may reach \$40,000.

Miss Hart Gets a \$1,000 Verdict.

In the Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday Miss Ada L. Hart got a verdict of \$1,000 in her suit against the city of Brooklyn for personal injuries received on Sept. 6, 1896, by colliding with an iron fence erected on the cycle path with an iron feace erected on the cycle path near the Prospect Park plaza. This is the case in which Lieut.-Gov. Timothy L. Woodruff testified on Wednesday. He said that while Park Commissioner he had the feace erected to prevent cyclists interfering with persons who were waiting to take the cars, and that he had ordered lumps to be placed on the feace every night. night.

Child's Burns Prove Fatal.

Two-year-old Isidor Persky died yesterday at his home, 11 Clinton street, from burns re-ceived on Thursday. The child's father, Issaed Persky, who is in ill health, had been advised by his physician to drink burned brandy. His wife was preparing the brandy on a stove when it boiled over and set fire to the child's clothes. Before the flames could be extinguished he was fatally burned.

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MISS DODA WOLLER ARRESTED. Yonkers Police Find Her Carrying Bundles

and Demand to Know Her Business, YONKERS, Nov. 25 .- A woman of refined apcearance was found wandering along Centra avenue at dusk to-night by Policeman Henry Cooley. She was carrying two large bundle She refused to give an account of her-self and was taken to Police Headquarters. She resisted the officer and was with difficulty restrained from jumping with difficulty restrained from jumping out of the police wagon. She refused to give her name, but said that her mother was Mrs. D. Moller of 30 Marion street, Brooklyn. She was placed in the care of the police matron. The packages which she carried were opened. One contained a large number of books and a list upon which were written the names of music halls and private residences. On the outside was the name Miss Dora Moller, and the address 40 Herkimer street, Brooklyn. She admitted that this was her name and address, and explained that the list contained the names of places where she had given musical entertainments. She refused to explain her appearance in a lonely part of the community, further than to say that she had walked from Woodlawn Cemetery and knew where she was going. She denounced her detention in the police station. The Brooklyn police have been asked to make an investigation.

Inquiry at both the addresses given elicited the response that Miss Moller was not known at those houses. The Brooklyn police found Mrs. Moller at 34 Marion street. She said, according to the police, that her daughter had suffered some aberration of the minds for several months, and that she left home to go downtown yesterial morning, since which time her mother had heard nothing of her. Her mother could imagine to reason for her daughter's going to Yonkers or Woodlawn. She went to Yonkers to take charge of her.

BROOKLYNITES TAKEN IN.

Swindled by Means of Bogus Certificates of Election Services.

The police are investigating a swindle that has been perpetrated upon many merchants of Brooklyn. The men who were employed in the ecent election as canvassers, poll clerks and ballot clerks received printed cards as youchers for their services. These ranged in amounts from \$5 to \$30. As the election officials will not be paid until after Jan. 1, many of the certificates have been discounted by money brokers. It has been discovered that number of bogus certificates have been eashed by merchants and brokers. Jacob cashed by merchants and brokers. Jacob Rosenstein of the Twenty-sixth ward cashed bogus certificates aggregating \$200. Ira Purvin of the same ward advanced \$100 on bogus certificates, and John J. Dalton and Edward P. Wurster of Smith street were swindled by the same fraud. The victims have no redress against the city, as prior to election the city authorities warned money brokers and others not to discount the certificates, as powers of attorney would not be considered by the city in the payment of election claims. It is said that the printed vouchers that have been used by the swindlers were taken from the office of the election bureau on Smith street. The police expect to arrest the person who stole the vouchers.

SAYS RE IS GEV. LEE'S NEPHEW A Young Man Arrested for Stealing a Check from a Yale Student.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 25 .- A youth, who gives his name as Robert E. Lee, Jr., and says he is a nephew of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, is under arrest in this city for fraud. On Wednesday arrest in this city for fraud. On Wednesday evening he was in Temple Bardrinking with some students, among them Edward i. Phipps. The latter missed a check for \$35, and the proprietor, to whom complaint was made, said the check had been given him by Lee in payment of a bill. Lee had indorsed the check, secured some change and left the place. The police found Lee in Bridgeport to-day. He wears a cadet uniform and says he is attached to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

OBITUARY.

Capt. James A. Anderson, probably the oldes man who served in the United States service during the recent war, died in New Orleans on Thursday night, aged 84. He had served on shipboard for seventy-four years. He served first on Norwegian merchant vessels, then in the Mississippi River trade, being Captain of a steamboat. He was in the Confederate navy during the civil war, on the ram Arkansas most of the time. After the war he entered the United States Revenue Service as pilot of the John A. Dix, and afterward on the Seward and Winona. During the recent war he was on the Seward, which did patrol duty on the Ala-bama coast. He had a two weeks' furlough because of a carbuncle from which he was suf-fering, but death cancelled the furlough.

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Col. Henry Lee, formerly senior partner of the banking firm of Lee, Higginson & Co. in Boston, died suddenly at his home in Brookine, Mass., on Thursday night. He was 81 years old. He retired on Dec. 31, 1897, from the firm of Lee, Higginson & Co. He continued as manager with George C. Lee of the Union Safe Deposit Vaults, and was actively engaged in literary pursuits up to the time of his death. He was one of the leading promoters of the American Bell Telephone Company. He was born in Boston Sept. 2, 1817, moters of the American Bell Telephone Com-pany. He was born in Boston Sept. 2, 1817, and graduated from Harvard in 1836. He had been an overseer of Harvard University for thirty years. A few years ago he published a book entitled "The Militia of the United States: What it is and What It Should Be." States: What It Is and What It Should Be."

James F. Timmons, 28 years old, a private in Company H. Eighth United States Infantry, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 353 Fourth street, Hoboken, from disease contracted in the Cuban campaign. He lived with his mother and sister. He was stricken with his mother and sister. He was stricken with his regiment in Santiago, and upon landing at Montauk Point he was allowed to go home for treatment. A few days later he was taken with a relapse and was removed to St. Mary's Hospital in Hoboken. His condition did not improve, and upon his request he was taken back to his home two weeks ago so that his mother and sister could be with him to the end.

end.

William T. Cain, one of Flushing's old residents, dropped dead at the home of Frederick R. Smart in Flushing, yesterday. He was assisting in adjusting a window sash when, without a cry, he fell dead. A physician pronounced heart failure the cause. Mr. Cain was born in Brooklyn in a house which it is said was once used as headquarters by George Washington. He was 60 years old. His widow and four children survive him.

dren survive him.

Dr. Lafayette Chesley, a well-known newspaper correspondent and a contributor to medical publications, died last night in Rochester, N. H., aged 60. He was born in New York, and was the son of Lafayette and Caroline Marcellus Chesley. His mother came from an old Dutch family, and was a cousin of Martin Van Buren. Amily, and was a cousin of Martin Van Buren.

Mrs. Elias H. Peters, wife of the Surrogate of Saratoga county, died in Saratoga yesterday after a few days' illness. Her maiden name was Abba Jane Carpenter, and she was born in Newburyport, Mass., on Aug. 39, 1840. She went to Saratoga in 1854 and was married to E. H. Peters on Dec. 10, 1898.

Arthur M. Duhme, 31 years old, a prominent member of the Young Men's Christian Association, died on Wednesday night at his home, 114 Wayne street, Jersey City, after a protracted illness. He was employed in a responsible position in the office of the Standard Oil Company, at 26 Broadway, this city.

Theodore Aumack, County Clerk of Monmouth county, N. J., died yesterday at Freehold, N. J., of paralysis, with which he was stricken a few days before his re-election on Nov. 8. He leaves a widow and two children, Mrs. F. A. Hall, of Brooklyn and Gifford Aumack.

Chicago Gas Trust Increases Stock.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25 .- Official announcement of an increase in the capital stock of the People's Gas Light and Coke Company was made today. In a circular to the stockholders of the company the directors state that it had been company the directors state that it had been decided to enlarge the capital from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000, and that of the \$5,000,000 new stock thus authorized \$3,750,000 will be immediately issued. The proceeds of issue will be used for the extension and promotion of sale of manufactured gas for fuel, the exploitation of natural gas, to secure supplies of oil and naphtha at largely reduced prices, and to pay for improvements and betterments.

Jailed After 14 Years in Public Office. Edward H. Biederlinden, who was for four

teen years Police Justice and Village Clerk at College Point, L. I., was sentenced to one year in the Kings County Penitentiary yesterday by in the Kings County Pentientiary yesterday by Judge Moore at Long Island City. Biederlinden pleaded guilty to appropriating to his own use more than \$400 belonging to the Water Department in the bortugh of Queens. He was employed in the office of the department. He is 40 years old, and was arrested once for intoxication and once for assault in the third degree. He has a wife and two grown daughters.

Two Lynching Mobs Foiled. GLASGOW, Ky., Nov. 25 .- Two mobs came !

town last night, one to lynch Johnson Franklin, who murdered his mother-in-law recently, and who murdered his mother-in-law recently, and the other to lynch Bob Brown, who murdered his father-in-law and shot his mother-in-law and niece two weeks ago. The mote came from different directions. They were met at the town limits by pickets the authorities had put out. The two hodies held consulta-tions and decided not to attempt the lynchings.

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RROOKLYN INSTITUTE ENRICHED. Frank S. Jones Secures the Neumoegen

Entomological Collection for It. Through the generosity of Frank S. Jones the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences has secured the entire entomological collection of the late Berthold Neumoegen, which includes 50,000 specimens of lepidontera, and is said to have cost Mr. Neumoegen \$40,000. For the past three years the collection has been in the custody of the museum as a lean. Recently Mr. Jones notified the trustees that if the collection could be purchased for \$10,000 he would donate that amount for the purpose, and on Nov. 22 Mrs. Rebecca Neumoegen, the widow of the collector, sent a letter to Prof. Franklin W. Hooper of the institute accepting the offer. On the following day Mr. Jones's check for \$10,000 was forwarded to Mrs. Neumoegen and the transaction was closed. the transaction was closed.

Edward L. Graef of Washington has presented his entomological collection to the institute, of which he is a life member.

LEFT HIS CHILD IN A FIRE.

A Frightened Italian Father Left Her Res-

By the explosion of a carboy of sulphuric acid yesterday in an extension of the Oakland Chemical Works, at 390 and 392 Oakland Chemical Works, at 390 and 392 Oakland street, Greenpoint, a fire started, which did damage to the extent of about \$10,000. Half a dozen women who were employed on the seened floor were panie-stricken. They were assisted out of the building in safety. The fire apread rapidly and two additional alarms followed the first. The smoke was so dense that dwellings in the neighborhood became filled with it. There was consternation among a colony of Italians in a row of double frame tenement houses extending from 191 to 197 Dupont street. On the second floor of 191 were frank Maresoi and his 4-year-old daughter. He run out of the building, leaving the child. When he reached the sidewalk he implored bystanders to save her. The girl was roscued by Roundsman Quigley.

